

We claim:

1. Method for treating a subject for endotoxemia comprising administering ^{intravenously} to said subject an effective amount of a protein free, peptide free, composition containing a sufficient amount of a cholanoic acid or cholanoic acid salt and a phospholipid to alleviate endotoxemia in said subject.

2. The method of claim 1, wherein said cholanoic acid or cholanoic acid salt is a bile acid or bile acid salt.

3. The method of claim 2, wherein said phospholipid is a phosphatidylcholine.

4. The method of claim 1, wherein said composition further comprises a neutral lipid.

5. The method of claim 4, wherein said neutral lipid is a triglyceride.

6. The method of claim 1, wherein said bile acid is cholic acid.

7. The method of claim 1, wherein said bile acid salt is a cholate salt.

8. The method of claim 7, wherein said cholate salt is a sodium cholate.

9. The method of claim 2, wherein said composition further comprises a neutral lipid.

10. The method of claim 9, wherein said phospholipid is a phosphatidylcholine and said neutral lipid is a triglyceride.

~~11. The method of claim 1, comprising administering said composition intravenously.~~

~~12. The method of claim 1, comprising administering said composition orally.~~

11 Intravenous composition
 13. ~~composition~~ of matter useful in treating endotoxemia comprising a therapeutically effective amount of (i) a cholanoic acid or cholanoic acid salt, (ii) a neutral lipid and (iii) a phospholipid, wherein said composition is protein free and peptide free.

12 intravenous
 14. The composition of claim 13, wherein said cholanoic acid or cholanoic acid salt is a bile acid or a bile acid salt.

13 intravenous
 15. The composition of claim 14, wherein said bile acid salt is sodium cholate.

B ¹⁴~~16~~ *intravenous*
16. The composition of claim ¹⁴~~13~~, wherein said neutral lipid is a triglyceride.

B ¹⁵~~17~~ *intravenous*
17. The composition of claim ¹⁵~~13~~, wherein said phospholipid is a phosphatidylcholine.

B ¹⁶~~18~~ *intravenous*
18. The composition of claim ¹⁶~~13~~, wherein said bile acid salt is a cholate, said neutral lipid is a triglyceride, and said phospholipid is a phosphatidylcholine.